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IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS

Amendment

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of April 9, 2003 and Advisory Actions dated September 23, 2003 and November 5, 2003, applicants present the following amendment and remarks for the above-identified patent application. Applicants direct the entrance of the responses to the Final Office Action and Advisory Actions dated September 9, 2003 and October 9, 2003. It is respectfully requested that the amendments and remarks herein be considered at the time of examination of the instant patent application.

In addition, a Petition for an Extension of Time (5 months) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) are filed herewith to extend the time for response until April 9, 2004.

Please amend the specification and claims according to the last entered amendment as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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